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R 141346Z AUG 75
FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS
TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO
INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS
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FOR CAO AND CU/ARTS COE FROM WEST

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OWXC, SCUL

SUBJ: JOSE LIMON DANCE COMPANY

REF: CAIRO 7740

1. ALLEGEDLY TWA CARGO SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON NOTIFIED
TWA CAIRO OF COMPANY CARGO SPACE REQUIREMENT FOR TW 841
SEPT. 1, BUT, AS THIS APPARENTLY NOT DONE, HOPE POST CAN
BLOCK SPACE THAT FLIGHT FOR MOST OF EQUIPMENT. PHYSICALLY
707 CAN TAKE TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED (12,149 LBS) BUT MUST
RECKON WITH COMPETING DEMANDS PASSENGER AND EXCESS BAGGAGE,
MAIL AND OTHER CARGO SHIPMENTS.

2. ASSUME THAT, WITH LATE PERFORMANCE ALEXANDRIA AUG 30,
THERE IS INSUFFICIENT TIME TO STRIKE STAGE, PACK, TRANSPORT TO
CAIRO, CLEAR CUSTOMS AND SHIPPING FORMALITIES AND LOAN
EQUIPMENT USED IN ALEXANDRIA ON 8:45 A.M. FLIGHT AUG 31.
A FEW ITEMS, SUCH AS COSTUMES NOT REQUIRED INALEXANDRIA, CAN
DEFINITELY BE SHIPPED AFTER LAST CAIRO PERFORMANCE AUG 27.
AFTER COMPANY TECHNICIANS ARE FULLY CONVERSANT WITH CHARACTE-
RISTICS AND RESOURCES OF ALEXANDRIA PERFORMANCE SITE,
IT MAY PROVE POSSIBLE TO RELEASE MORE ITEMS FOR EARLY
SHIPMENT.

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3. COMPANY IS SCHEDULED FOR SET UP AND TECHNICAL REHEARSAL
PIRAEUS SEPT 2. NORMAL UNCERTAINTIES OF SHIPMENT, CUSTOMS
AND LOCAL TRANSPORT RENDER SHIPMENT AS LATE AS SEPT 2
HIGHLY RISKY.

4. RECOMMEND EMB CAIRO OBTAIN AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE
CONCERNING ALEXANDRIA PERFORMANCE SITE, INCLUDING STATE
CHARACTERISTICS, LIGHTING AND SOUND EQUIPMENT, DRAPES, ETC.
IN ORDER FACILITATE DETERMINATION WHAT CAN SAFELY BE LEFT CAIRO
FOR EARLY SHIPMENT ATHENS. POSSIBLY IT MAY PROVE DESIRABLE
SEND COMPANY TECHNICIAN TO ALEXANDRIA DURING COMPANY CAIRO
STAY.

5. SEPTTEL WILL FOLLOW GIVING REVISED DATA FOR FREIGHT
MANIFEST. SOME ITEMS SHIPPED FROM NEW YORK AND EVERYTHING
FROM LONDON HAVE NOT YET APPEARED.
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